

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request entry of the present amendment to the first sentence of the application to include a claim of priority to an earlier-filed provisional application.

Applicants' Application Data Sheet, submitted on October 29, 2002, specifies that "This application is a non-provisional of provisional 60/355274 2002-02-08 Pending." This benefit claim has been recognized by the Office. In particular, the Filing Receipt for this application states that "This appln claims benefit of 60/355,274 02/08/2002."

For these reasons, Applicants respectfully request entry of this amendment without petition or fee.

Applicants believe that no fee is necessary in connection with this Amendment. But in the event that the Commissioner determines that additional fees are due, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fees required therefor to Milbank's deposit account no. 13-3250, order no. 36287.03400. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS PAGE IS ENCLOSED HERewith.

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